**Reviewer's report**

**Title:** Larger Omental Adipocytes Correlate with Greater Fetuin-A Reduction Following Sleeve Gastrectomy

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This manuscript is rich of data but presentation is very unclear. Beginning from the study design:

Diet decreased FetA and HOMAir although not dramatically without BMI changes. Six weeks after sleeve gastrectomy BMI decreased but HOMAir did not. In the mean time FetA decreased further but HOMAir did not. A smaller phenotype of adipocytes was found to correlate with these changes. As I understand a low caloric intake promotes reduction of insulin resistance. Authors do not report any direct an convincing evidence on the role of hepatic FetA on this process.

To me it is difficult to identify a clear rationale behind this manuscript.

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